berland River-An Attack on the Enttery Unsuccessful A Recounsissance.

Nasuville, Thursday, Dec. 8, 1864-3:30 p.m. Matters at the front present no change from that of several days past.

There has been less connecteding to day than usual.

The Rebels have established a battery on a bluff fourteen niles down the river.

Last night seven gunboats went down and engaged this battery, but without disk-dging the Rebels from

bornt several bridges, did considerable, dunage to the The genboats returned to day, one of them consider-

A reconsolvance was made to-day, by our fore on the Lebanon and Nashville pikes.

After proceeding a short distance the Robels were

Liceovered in considerable force. Our troops charged Hon, James A. Shepen: apon the hill which the Rebels occupied and drove everely wounded, and a few slightly.

Col. Johnson, who escaped from Block House No. 2 so providentially, was slightly wounded by a Robel !

ment.
The depot was occupied by about one hundred and fifty mer under Capt. Waldhau, about one hundred and twenty-free of whom are said to have been captored-among them. I regret to state, Major Firzhugh, Quar-Two prisoners were brought in this morning. They selonged to Tapaessee and Arkansas regiments.

The river at this point is five feet deep. The water on the sheals is scant and falling.

Percent Said to Mave Crassed the Cumberland River-The Rebels Evacuating, Preparatory to Their Murch on

LOUISVILLE, Kv., Thursday, Dec. 8, 1864. The Nashville Press of yesterday says:

Shelling the Rebel lines and their working parties was kept up on the 6th inst., but hardly so vigorously persistently as the day before.

The Robel General Ferrest, with his command, is be across the Cumberland River. We connot wouch for the truth of this statement, but give it as we

diers and citizens, that the Rebels are evacuating, and t this be so, the march on Kentucky may be said to

LATE SOUTHERN NEWS.

Important from Sherman.

Three deserters from Savannah arrived at Fort Palaski on the 36th alt - They report that Sherman sucing on Savannah in three columns, one by gee Rivers, and the other across the Savannah River at | cult | Macon, but did not stop to occupy it. He had whitped
Wayne's and Cobb's militia at Geonee Bridge, driving
them in every direction. [Port Royal Herald, 1st.]

Atlanta, four miles from Madison. They also burned This
deed
This stated that Messrs. Newton, Few and Everett,
near Shady Dule. were arrested by the Yankees and
laste

Rebel War Intelligence, Such As It Is.

We have Richmond papers of Monday, 5th |c inst., from which we take the following:

We shall not have Gen. Hood's account of a effair for some days, as the couriers who bring his patches will have to ride a long distance before they ack our telegraph. The Yankee accounts are dated to the Yankee founds of the Yankee disparches without being stied in the Yankee disparches without being said that they—the Yankee—were very hally upped, and that Nashville is in great danger if Hood is reached Franklin at 4 o'clock, attached the carenty was completely demodished.

The plain facts of the battle at Franklin disturbered of all this bembass, are these—the Confedures of the plain facts of the battle at Franklin disturbered of all this bembass, are these—the Confedures of the plain facts of the battle at Franklin disturbered of all this bembass, are these—the Confedures of the plain facts of the battle at Franklin disturbered of all this bembass, are these—the Confedures of the plain facts of the battle at the control of the plain facts of the battle at the control of the plain facts of the battle at the control of the plain facts of the battle at the control of the plain facts of the battle at the control of the plain facts of the battle at the plain facts of the battle at the control of the plain facts of the battle at the control of the plain facts of the battle at the control of the plain facts of the battle at the control of the plain facts of the battle at the control of the plain facts of the battle at the control of the plain facts of the battle at the control of the plain facts of the battle at the control of the plain facts of the battle at the control of the plain at a control of the plain at a control of the plain at a control of the plain at the control of the pl From The Riebmond Examiner, Dec. 5. HOOD'S AFFAIR AT FRANKLIN, TENN.

crates reached Franklin at 4 o'clock, attacked the enemy in his works and broke them night ended the battle; the enemy abandoned his fortifications and the fown, and retreated all right to Nashville, closely pursued by the Confederated all right to Nashville. The continues of Nashville. Whether they will attack the place also remains to be seen. It has no other value than the stores it contains. The Confederate brigadier whom Schedeld says he took prisoner is only a colonel who was "acting brigadier," Col. Gordon, of Tennessee.

FROM GEORGIA.

Two important statements have reached us. One is that a portion of Sherman's army has passed Millen. The memy has not entered the town. The color statements to the effect that the column which has been lingering for some time is the neighborhood of Macon has it the column which is represented to have 'passed lillen." Whither is it going? This also is a question hich cannot be answered with certifude, but our own life is that Sherman Aill now make all speed for runnwick, on the coast and probably may reach it the some of his strong and bankering, but one of the federals.

An enemy base of the committy they were passing, and the abundance of provisions in it.

A negro succeeded in escaping from the Federals with a gold watch and fine hat. He was forced off, with a gold watch and fine hat. He was forced off, with a gold watch and fine hat. He was forced off, with a gold watch and fine hat. He was forced off, with a gold watch and fine hat. He was forced off, with a gold watch and fine hat. He was forced off, with a gold watch and fine hat. He was forced off, with a gold watch and fine hat. He was forced off, with a gold watch and fine hat. He was forced off, with a gold watch and fine hat. He was forced off, with a gold watch and fine hat. He was forced off, with a gold watch and fine hat. He was forced off, with a gold watch and fine hat. He was forced off, with a gold watch and fine hat. He was forced off, with a gold watch and fine hat. He was forced off, with a gold watc

be must find the or rowe greened retained. It is not because the process of the believe, from all we have been made to an expensive the first today or the second the



NEW-YORK, FRIDAY, DECEMBER 9: 1864.

Hon, JANES A. SEDDON:
The chemr attacked Stony Creek depot, yesterday, and most of the buildings, consuming rome stores and corn, but most of the latter was saved. The railroad is

We have received Richmond papers of Tues-P.S.-Put 910 men at Strueburg Plains, and but small garrison at Knoxville. No troops this side of the river. They don't even send a picket to this side of the Hoistein. Videttes on the east end of the bridge.

The only item of information from the lines before Elebason vester was the statement that regro pickets had been substituted for the white Yan-

PROB ELLTON READ.

Active Operations in South Carolina.

EXPEDITION UP BROAD RIVER - SEVERE FIGURING.

about three or four miles out.

In the morning the enemy appeared in force on the road leading towards Grahamsville, with cavalry infantry and artillery. We advanced and grandually drove them back, with some loss on both sides, to a battery and it areachments, some four or five miles beyond the church, and there they made a stand. A hot eneage ment of some seven hours' duration account.

PROM FORTBESS MONROE.

The Capture of Two Schooners -- Savage Proceedings of the Rebel Captors-They Indulge in Marder and Robbery.

FORTERS MONROF, Wednesday, Dec. 7, 1964.

and the Wyoming's report is hardly credited.

Vagrants from Canada to be Watched

Orders from the Provest-Marshal-Gen eral Ar. WASHINGTON, Thursday, Dec 8, 1864.

The Provost-Marshal-General to-day issued the following circular:

the following circular:

Trustworthy information has been received that a large number of evil-disposed persons, consisting of Rebei sympathicers, secessionists, maranders, and other outlaws, who have collected in Canada with a view to enter the commercial cities of the North, and particularly those on the Canadian frontier, with the ostenshine purpose of seeking employment, but who are in reality intent upon the destruction of his and property, will shortly strive in the United States.

All officers of this bureau are matrueted to place all persons suspected to be of this closs under strict surveillance, and to arrest such as evidently belong to it. Provost Marchals will confer with the minicipal authorities with a view to preventing the mischief contemplated, and will said the civil authorities in discovering these persons and causing their arrest.

The following general order was also to day issued.

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The following general order was also to day issued from the Quartermaster General's office:

I. The Government has received information that numbers in the British provinces on our northern border have removed with the intention of obtaining comployment at the depots of military stores for the purpose of incendiarism. The plots by which some months since many sleamboats on the western rivers were fired and destroyed by Rebel agents have now been extended with the intent to attempt the destruction by fire of military stores, shipping, manufactories and public and private property at various points throughout the loyal States.

II. The strictest vigilance and greatest care in guarding against incendiarism are enjoined upon all officers supposed to its composed to its composition.

PRICE FOUR CENTS.

Lord Wharneliffe's Anxiety for Confederate Prisoners Minister Adams's Reply the ench the Secretary Seward's Plata Talk to We

John Bail.

WASHINGTON, Thursday, Dec. 8, 1864. The President to-day sent a message to the enate in reply to Mr. Smeners's resolution, calling he spon him, if not incompatible with the public interest, exist \$17,000, and oaks permission for an accredited agent to 12

Department, accompanied by several gumboats. It of the Government to treat with unnecessary or viside, went up Broad River, to a place caked Boyd's Point, tive severity may of the misguided individual parties. The Convention came to order at 11 o'clook, where the troops landed. On Tuesday night they pro in this deplarable Rebellion who have fallen into its problem LAWRENCE in the chair. After the realing hands in the regular course of the war, and that he of the minutes the Committees resired for define could be extended to ministering to their mental ail-

Mr. Seward replies as follows to the application re- pais of the Convention. The New-York leaf-dealers

I am, Sir, your obedient servous.

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William H. Shward,

Dersort, Wednesday, Dec. 7, 1864.

Information of a most positive character has been received that a raid upon this city was being organized by Rebel refugees in Canada.

In consequence of the consequenc

to organise and arm the militia regiments for local pro-Union sentiments, when the Convention

A large number of special policemen have already been enrolled, and other active and vigorous measures Eurascipation in Maryland-Celebration are being taken for the protection of the city.

enity in your columns for one week (and requesting

Those who are abundantly able to judge, estimate of Sherman's force at 34,000 infantty and 5,000 extally, and 5,000 extally and 5,000 exta

and central of the severeign THE BESTISH RESERVANCE

Mr. DAVID MCALPINE of New-York addressed the

ment, as well as their bodily suffering, thus contributing. Convention upon the necessity of proving to Congress to put an end to a struggle which otherwise is too likely the injusting of the present tax upon manufactured to Mr. Brunn and of Maryland, also explained the ab

organized by Rebet refugees in Canada.

In consequence of the receipt of this information the civil and military authorities are making every preparation to receive the raiders.

Colonel Hill, military commander, in a note to Mayor Barker, recommends that immediate measures be taken to organize and arm the militia regiments for local pro-

at the Cooper Institute.

owded and enthusiastic meeting of the To the Uditor of The N. Y. Tribune.

Sir: By giving the inclosed "Rules and great half of the Coper Institute, under the auspices of to celebrate the adur the African Civilization Society Regulations governing Flag of Truce Letters" conspi-tion of a Free Constitution by Maryland. In the ab enity in your columns for one week (and requesting other papers throughout the country to copy), you will chair was taken and the meeting called to order by the

centry in your columns for one week (and requesting other papers throughout the country to copy), you will do the friends and relatives of our Soldiers now "Prisoners of War" in "Rebeldom," and those having correspondents at the South, a great favor, and will facilitate the prompt transmission of letters going by "Flag of Truce." Very respectfully yours.

Approved by Major-Gen. B. F. Butler.

INSPECTOR'S OFFICE. FLAG OF TRUCE LETTERS.

DEPARTHENT OF VIGITIES AND NORTH CAROLISA.

Rules and Regulations governing "Flag of Troce Letters," established by Mojor-Gen. B. F. Butler:

First: No letter must exceed one page of a letter sheet, and must relate purely to domestic matters.

Second: All letters (including prisoners') must be sent with free cents, postage inclosed, if to go Richmond, and ten cents if heyond.

Third: Every letter must be signed by the writer's name in full, and P. O. address.

Fourth: All letters must be inclosed to the Commanding General of the Department of Virginis and North Carolina, Fourthers Moorne, indexed "Vis Flag of Truce."

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sked and drove him rapidly eight wiles, capturing ne prisency, but could not bring him to an engage-

emy left some dead at the depot and along the

One Day Later.

The Augusta Chronicle of the 2d instant fur-

day, from which we take what follows:

Hoors, Army of Northern Vincona. (Friday, Dec. 2, 1864.)

